

Amendments to the Claims

This listing will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently amended) An insect repellent composition dispensable from an aerosol container, comprising:

from about 0.5 to about 50 wt.% of an insect repellent in an amount effective to repel insects when applied to the skin, wherein said insect repellent is selected from the group consisting of N,N-diethyl-m-toluamide, ethyl butylacetylaminopropionate, hydroxyethyl isobutyl piperidine carboxylate, oil of citronella, soy bean oil, lemon grass oil, geranium/geraniol oil, and p-menthane-3,8-diol; and

a cosmetically-acceptable aerosol vehicle to disperse and deliver the insect repellent active, the vehicle having

(i) a volatile organic compound (VOC) component, the VOC component having from about 1 to about 30 wt.% of a propellant and from about 1 to about 45 wt.% of an alcohol of 1 to 8 carbon atoms; and

(ii) a non-volatile organic compound (non-VOC) component having water in an amount up to about 50 wt.%,

wherein the VOC component is not greater than about 55 wt.% ~~based on the total weight of the composition, and~~ wherein the composition takes a form selected from the group consisting of a solution, a suspension, and a dispersion, ~~and wherein the composition is applied to humans, and wherein all percentages are based on the total weight of the composition.~~

2. (Previously amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the VOC component is about 1 wt.% to about 45 wt.% based on the total weight of the composition.

3. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the VOC component is about 1 wt.% to about 35 wt.% based on the total weight of the composition.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Original) The composition of claim 4, wherein the insect repellent is present at about 0.5 wt.% to about 45 wt.% based on the total weight of the composition.

6. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the non-VOC component is present at up to about 50 wt.% based on the total weight of the composition.

7. (Original) The composition of claim 6, wherein the non-VOC component is present at about 5 wt.% to about 30 wt.% based on the total weight of the composition.

8. (Currently amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the non-VOC component ~~is~~ has a compound selected from the group consisting of polyols, vegetable oils, esters, ethers, fatty alcohols, silicone oils, hydrocarbon oils, water, and any mixtures thereof.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Original) The composition of claim 9, wherein the water is present in an amount about 5 wt.% to about 40 wt.% based on the total weight of the composition.

11. (Original) The composition of claim 9, wherein the water is present in an amount about 10 wt.% to about 30 wt.% based on the total weight of the composition.

12. (Currently amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the ~~VOC component comprises an~~ alcohol ~~having~~ has 1 to 8 carbon atoms in an amount about 1 wt.% to about 40 wt.% based on the total weight of the composition.

13. (Original) The composition of claim 1, further comprising an ingredient selected from the group consisting of one or more sunscreens, film formers, and mixtures thereof.

14. (Original) The composition of claim 13, wherein the sunscreen is about 1 wt.% to about 35 wt.%, based on the total weight of the composition.

15. (Original) The composition of claim 13, wherein the film former is about 0.1 wt.% to about 10 wt.% based on the total weight of the composition.

16. (Previously amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the propellant is present at about 5 wt.% to about 20 wt.% based on the total weight of the composition.

17. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition comprises about 5 wt.% to about 40 wt.% of water, about 1 wt.% to about 55 wt.% of a VOC component, about 0.5 wt.% to about 45 wt.% of an insect repellent, and about 5 wt.% to about 30 wt.% of a non-VOC component other than water, based on the total weight of the composition.

18. (Currently amended) The composition of claim 17, wherein the ~~propellent~~ propellant is present at about 1 wt.% to about 25 wt.% based on the total weight of the composition.

19. (Currently amended) The composition of claim 18, wherein the ~~VOC component further comprises about 5 wt.% to about 30 wt.% of an~~ alcohol having 1 to 8 carbon atoms is present at about 5 wt.% to about 30 wt.%.

20. (Original) A method of repelling insects from skin comprising spraying on the skin the aerosol composition of claim 1.

21. (Original) The method of claim 20, wherein the VOC component is about 1 wt.% to about 45 wt.% based on the total weight of the composition.

22. (Currently amended) The method of claim 20, wherein the insect repellent is present in an amount ~~up to 50 wt.%~~ about 0.5 wt.% to about 45 wt.% based on the total weight of the composition, and wherein the non-VOC component is present in an amount up to 50 wt.% based on the total weight of the composition.

23. (Currently amended) The method of claim 20, wherein the non-VOC component further ~~comprises~~ has water in an amount about 5 wt.% to about 40 wt.% based on the total weight of the composition.

24. (Cancelled)

25. (Previously added) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is a solution.

26. (Previously added) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is a suspension.

27. (Previously added) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is a dispersion.

28. (Canceled)

29. (Previously added) The composition of claim 17, wherein the composition is a suspension.

30. (Previously added) The composition of claim 17, wherein the composition is a dispersion.

31. (Currently added) The ~~composition~~ method of claim 20, wherein the composition is a solution.

32. (Currently added) The ~~composition~~ method of claim 20, wherein the composition is a suspension.

33. (Currently added) The ~~composition~~ method of claim 20, wherein the composition is a dispersion.

34. (Currently added) The composition of claim 5, wherein said insect repellent is selected from the group consisting of N,N diethyl-m-toluamide, ethyl butylacetylaminopropionate, hydroxyethyl isobutyl piperidine carboxylate (1-piperidinecarboxylic acid), oil of citronella, ~~soy bean oil, lemon grass oil, geranium/geraniol oil,~~ p-menthane-3,8-diol, and any mixtures thereof.

35. (Withdrawn) The composition of claim 5, wherein said insect repellent is N,N diethyl-m-toluamide.

36. (Previously added) The composition of claim 5, wherein said insect repellent is ethyl butylacetylaminopropionate.

37. (Withdrawn) The composition of claim 5, wherein said insect repellent is hydroxyethyl isobutyl piperidine carboxylate.

38. (Withdrawn) The composition of claim 5, whererin said insect repellent is oil of citronella.

39. (Withdrawn) The composition of claim 5, whererin said insect repellent is soy bean oil.

40. (Withdrawn) The composition of claim 5, whererin said insect repellent is lemon grass oil.

41. (Withdrawn) The composition of claim 5, wherein said insect repellent is geranium/geraniol oil.

42. (Withdrawn) The composition of claim 5, wherein said insect repellent is p-methane-3,8-diol.

43. (Previously added) The composition of claim 12, wherein said alcohol is selected from the group consisting of methanol, ethanol, propanol, isopropanol, butanol, isobutanol, pentanol, hexanol, heptanol, octanol, and any mixtures thereof.

44. (Currently amended) The ~~composition~~ composition of claim 16, wherein said propellant is selected form the group consisting of methane, ethane, propane, ~~isopropane~~ isopropane, butane, isobutane, butene, pentane, isopentane, neopentane, pentene, hydrofluorocarbons, chlorofluorocarbons, dimethyl ether, and any mixtures thereof.

45. (New) The composition of claim 43, wherein said alcohol is selected from the group consisting of ethanol, propanol, isopropanol, butanol, isobutanol, and any mixtures thereof.

46. (New) The composition of claim 19, wherein said alcohol is selected from the group consisting of ethanol, propanol, isopropanol, butanol, isobutanol, and any mixtures thereof.